

September 12, 2019

The September 12, 2019 meeting of the Mansfield Township Environmental Commission was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair Paul Tarlowe, followed by a Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1976. Present were Paul Tarlowe, Robert Jewell and Ruth Panté; excused were Glenn Todd, Dawn Smith and Marin Martin.

#### Minutes

With no quorum present, review of the August 8, 2019 minutes was deferred to the October meeting.

#### ANJEC Grant

Mr. Tarlowe will ensure Ms. Martin and Ms. Smith complete the paperwork for the October 31 deadline.

#### Environmental Issues

Ms. Smith and Ms. Martin will inventory the bee huts. Mr. Tarlowe noted activity at the bee huts in the Pequest Trout Hatchery.

Mr. McMekin was not present to report on the mushroom primer event.

Mr. Jewell reported the subdivision on Rt. 57 behind the used car lot was reviewed at the last meeting of the Land Use Board. Also, Mr. Jewell has seen many trucks dumping clean soil at the Meadows at Mansfield development, creating a visible mountain of soil.

Mr. Tarlowe said NJ Fish and Game Council July meeting minutes made reference to the Division of Fish and Wildlife not receiving a response from the township regarding the former pheasant farm. No one has expressed interest in the property. Condemned buildings will be demolished and serviceable ones repurposed, and most of the property is likely to be allowed to revert to natural habitat unless there is interest in an agricultural lease.

The many large chunks of concrete visible at the former Mt. Bethel Ski Hill was discussed; soil has been moved.

Mr. Jewell MOVED to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Panté, Clerk

**Next meeting date:  
October 10, 2019**